

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

to the California Medical Association



International Health Activities

DOCTOR, STOP throwing away those sample drugs, current medical journals and used instruments. Please have your aide call your county Auxiliary president for the name of the county International Health Activities chairman. These things are desperately needed in all areas of the world. REMEMBER—your discard could help a colleague somewhere in the world save a life.

Last year through International Health Activities, (IHA) members of the Woman's Auxiliary to the California Medical Association collected more than 52,000 pounds of drugs and other supplies for shipment to needy areas. About half of these went to Direct Relief Foundation, the remainder to Haiti, Mexico, South Vietnam and Hong Kong. In addition 96 journals were sent to physicians in underprivileged areas and 67 medical books, mostly PDR's were sent to mission hospitals. Three of our county Auxiliaries participated in aid to Project Hope and eight in International Hospitality efforts.

IHA is an exciting, stimulating and most worthwhile project. The diversity of this project makes it possible for each member to participate to the scope and extent that her time permits and her inclination directs.

Some of the kinds of work are as follows:

- A. Distribution of medical samples either through: DIRECT RELIEF FOUNDATION, 27 E. Canon Perdido St., Santa Barbara, California, or directly—"people to people," as is being done now by many of the county auxiliaries.
- B. Distribution of Medical and Surgical supplies. (Surgical instruments; orthopedic equipment, such as artificial limbs, braces, etc.) through: CATHOLIC MEDICAL MISSION BOARD, Rev. Edward F. X. Kennedy, S.J., Director, 10 W. 17th St., New York, N.Y. DIRECT RELIEF FOUNDATION (address above).
- C. Medical Journal AMA Doctor-to-Doctor Program through: ADA CHREE REID, M.D., c/o World Medical Association, 10 Columbus Circle, New York 19, N.Y. Dr. Reid will, upon request, match your gift journals with requests from your overseas colleagues.
- D. Distribution of medical textbooks (not more than four years old) through: CATHOLIC MEDICAL MISSION BOARD (address above); CHRISTIAN MEDICAL COUNCIL FOR OVERSEAS WORK, Frederick G. Scovel, M.D., 475 Riverside Drive, New York 27, N.Y.; DARIEN BOOK AID PLAN, 1926 Post Rd., Darien, Conn.; MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS, INC. (address below).
- E. MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS, INC. (MAP) of the CHRISTIAN MEDICAL SOCIETY, Mr. J. Raymond Knighton, 110 N. 2nd St., West Dundee, Ill.
 1. A short term missionary program sends physicians, dentists, and medical and

dental students to areas of need for short periods.

2. Provides worldwide medical relief through materiel support.

F. Project "HOPE" (Health Opportunities for People Everywhere), William B. Walsh, M.D., president, 2233 Wisconsin Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20007. Project HOPE brings the skills and techniques developed by the American medical, dental and paramedical professions to the people of other nations in their own environments, adapted specifically to their needs and their way of life. (Beneficiaries: Asia, South America and Africa.) A Project HOPE program is available, at no cost, to any group or organization making a request.

- G. Bandages—Bandages are needed—urgently. Both *knitted bandages* and *bandages torn from old sheets*. There is also need for "*Johnny coats*"—hospital gowns made from men's old shirts. Directions for these will be sent by this chairman upon request.

Please Doctor, clip these addresses and encourage your wife to share with you in this necessary and worthwhile project of your Medical Auxiliary. She can answer the plea of Mrs. Samuel Bacon, president of the Woman's Auxiliary to the California Medical Association: "MAGNIFY YOUR CALLING, M.D.'S WIFE!"

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